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AN ACT

RELATING TO VEHICLE TITLES AND REGISTRATION PLATES FOR
SPECIALTY VEHICLES, AND PROVIDING A PENALTY AND AN
EFFECTIVE DATE.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF IOWA:

Section 1. Section 321.1, subsection 59, Code 2007, is
amended to read as follows:

59. "Reconstructed vehicle" means every vehicle of a type
required to be registered ~~hereunder under this chapter~~
materially altered from its original construction by the
removal, addition, or substitution of essential parts, new or
used. "Reconstructed vehicle" does not include a street rod
or replica vehicle.

Sec. 2. Section 321.1, Code 2007, is amended by adding the
following new subsection:

NEW SUBSECTION. 61. "Replica vehicle" means any completed
motor vehicle other than a motorcycle or motorized bicycle
with a gross vehicle weight rating of less than ten thousand
pounds consisting of a body, frame, and other essential parts,
assembled as a reproduction of a vehicle originally
manufactured by a generally recognized manufacturer of motor
vehicles with the substitution or addition of essential parts
to update the vehicle for purposes of safety, performance, or
reliability. For purposes of vehicle registration, the model
year of a replica vehicle shall be the same as the model year
of the motor vehicle that it is designed to resemble.

Sec. 3. Section 321.1, subsection 74, Code 2007, is
amended to read as follows:

74. "Specially constructed vehicle" means every vehicle of
a type required to be registered ~~hereunder under this chapter~~
not originally constructed under a distinctive name, make,
model, or type by a generally recognized manufacturer of
vehicles and not materially altered from its original
construction. A "specially constructed vehicle" does not
include a street rod or replica vehicle.

Sec. 4. Section 321.1, Code 2007, is amended by adding the
following new subsection:

NEW SUBSECTION. 78A. "Street rod" means any car or motor
truck with a gross vehicle weight rating of less than ten
thousand pounds required to be registered under this chapter,
manufactured by a generally recognized manufacturer of motor
vehicles prior to the year 1949, which may contain a body or
frame not manufactured by the original manufacturer, or any
motor vehicle designed and manufactured to resemble a motor
vehicle manufactured prior to the year 1949. For purposes of
vehicle registration, the model year of a street rod shall be
the same as the model year of the motor vehicle that it is
designed to resemble.

Sec. 5. Section 321.23, subsection 1, Code 2007, is
amended to read as follows:

1. a. If the vehicle to be registered is a specially
constructed vehicle, reconstructed vehicle, street rod,
replica vehicle, or foreign vehicle, such fact shall be stated
in the application. A fee of ten dollars shall be paid by the
person making the application upon issuance of a certificate
of title by the county treasurer. For a specially constructed
vehicle, ~~or~~ reconstructed motor vehicle, street rod, or
replica vehicle subject to registration, the application shall
be accompanied by a statement from the department authorizing
the motor vehicle to be titled and registered in this state.
b. The department shall cause a physical inspection to be
made of all specially constructed vehicles, ~~or~~ reconstructed
~~motor~~ vehicles, street rods, and replica vehicles upon
application for a certificate of title by the owner, to
determine whether the motor vehicle complies with the
definition of specially constructed ~~motor vehicle~~, ~~or~~
reconstructed ~~motor~~ vehicle, street rod, or replica vehicle in
this chapter and to determine that the integral component
parts are properly identified and that the rightful ownership

4 is established before issuing the owner the authority to have
the motor vehicle registered and titled. The purpose of the
physical inspection under this section is not to determine
whether the motor vehicle is in a condition safe to operate.
c. The owner of a specially constructed vehicle, or
reconstructed vehicle, street rod, or replica vehicle shall
apply for a certificate of title and registration for the
vehicle at the county treasurer's office within thirty days of
the inspection. For a foreign vehicle which has been
registered outside this state, the owner shall surrender to
the treasurer all registration plates, registration cards, and
certificates of title, or if the vehicle to be registered is
from a nontitle state, the evidence of foreign registration
and ownership as may be prescribed by the department except as
provided in subsection 2.

d. Upon completion of every specially constructed vehicle,
reconstructed vehicle, street rod, or replica vehicle, the
owner shall certify on a form prescribed by the department
that such vehicle is in compliance with all equipment
specifications required under this chapter.

Sec. 6. NEW SECTION. 321.115A REPLICA VEHICLES AND
STREET RODS == MODEL YEAR PLATES PERMITTED == PENALTY.

1. A motor vehicle may be registered as a replica vehicle
or street rod upon payment of the fee provided for in section
321.109, 321.113, 321.122, or 321.124. The owner of a vehicle
registered under this section may display registration plates
from or representing the model year of the motor vehicle or
the model year of the motor vehicle the registered vehicle is
designed to resemble, furnished by the person and approved by
the department, in lieu of the current and valid Iowa
registration plates issued for the vehicle, provided that the
current and valid Iowa registration plates and the
registration card issued for the vehicle are simultaneously
carried within the vehicle and are available for inspection to
any peace officer upon the officer's request.

2. Truck tractors and semitrailers registered under this
section shall not be used to haul loads.

3. A person convicted of a violation of this section is
guilty of a simple misdemeanor punishable as a scheduled
violation under section 805.8A, subsection 2, paragraph "b".

Sec. 7. Section 805.8A, subsection 2, paragraph b, Code
2007, is amended to read as follows:

b. For violations under sections 321.17, 321.47, 321.55,
321.98, ~~and~~ 321.115, and 321.115A, the scheduled fine is
thirty dollars.

Sec. 8. EFFECTIVE DATE. This Act takes effect July 1,
2009.

PATRICK J. MURPHY
Speaker of the House

JOHN P. KIBBIE
President of the Senate

I hereby certify that this bill originated in the House and
is known as House File 2452, Eighty=second General Assembly.

MARK BRANDSGARD
Chief Clerk of the House

Approved _____, 2008

CHESTER J. CULVER
Governor